



## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2007 and 2008

HB5501

by Rep. Angelo Saviano

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 65/65-5

was 225 ILCS 65/15-10

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Provides for the licensure of a registered professional nurse as a certified registered nurse anesthetist who does not have the required graduate degree, provided that he or she meets certain other requirements. Requires the Department to provide by rule for the advanced practice nurse licensure of certified registered nurse anesthetists who do not have the required graduate degree, apply for licensure before July 1, 2018, and meet certain other requirements. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Nurse Practice Act is amended by changing  
5 Section 65-5 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 65/65-5) (was 225 ILCS 65/15-10)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2018)

8 Sec. 65-5. Qualifications for APN licensure.

9 (a) Each applicant who successfully meets the requirements  
10 of this Section shall be entitled to licensure as an advanced  
11 practice nurse.

12 (b) An applicant for licensure to practice as an advanced  
13 practice nurse must do each of the following:

14 (1) Submit a completed application and any fees as  
15 established by the Department.

16 (2) Hold a current license to practice as a registered  
17 professional nurse under this Act.

18 (3) Have successfully completed requirements to  
19 practice as, and holds a current, national certification  
20 as, a nurse midwife, clinical nurse specialist, nurse  
21 practitioner, or certified registered nurse anesthetist  
22 from the appropriate national certifying body as  
23 determined by rule of the Department.

1           (4) Have obtained a graduate degree appropriate for  
2 national certification in a clinical advanced practice  
3 nursing specialty or a graduate degree or post-master's  
4 certificate from a graduate level program in a clinical  
5 advanced practice nursing specialty.

6           (5) Have not violated the provisions of this Act  
7 concerning the grounds for disciplinary action. The  
8 Department may take into consideration any felony  
9 conviction of the applicant, but such a conviction may not  
10 operate as an absolute bar to licensure.

11           (6) Submit to the criminal history records check  
12 required under Section 50-35 of this Act.

13           (b-5) A registered professional nurse seeking licensure as  
14 an advanced practice nurse in the category of certified  
15 registered nurse anesthetist who does not have a graduate  
16 degree as described in subsection (b) of this Section shall be  
17 qualified for licensure if that person:

18           (1) submits evidence of having successfully completed  
19 a nurse anesthesia program described in item (4) of  
20 subsection (b) of this Section prior to January 1, 1999;

21           (2) submits evidence of certification as a registered  
22 nurse anesthetist by an appropriate national certifying  
23 body, as determined by rule of the Department; and

24           (3) has continually maintained active, up-to-date  
25 recertification status as a certified registered nurse  
26 anesthetist by an appropriate national recertifying body,

1           as determined by rule of the Department.

2           (b-10) The Department shall provide by rule for the APN  
3           licensure of certified registered nurse anesthetists who (i) do  
4           not have a graduate degree, (ii) apply for licensure before  
5           July 1, 2018, and (iii) submit evidence of the successful  
6           completion of a program described in item (4) of subsection (b)  
7           or in subsection (b-5) and evidence of practice as a certified  
8           registered nurse anesthetist for at least 10 years.

9           (c) Those applicants seeking licensure in more than one  
10          advanced practice nursing specialty need not possess multiple  
11          graduate degrees. Applicants may be eligible for licenses for  
12          multiple advanced practice nurse licensure specialties,  
13          provided that the applicant (i) has met the requirements for at  
14          least one advanced practice nursing specialty under paragraphs  
15          (3) and (5) of subsection (a) of this Section, (ii) possesses  
16          an additional graduate education that results in a certificate  
17          for another clinical advanced practice nurse specialty and that  
18          meets the requirements for the national certification from the  
19          appropriate nursing specialty, and (iii) holds a current  
20          national certification from the appropriate national  
21          certifying body for that additional advanced practice nursing  
22          specialty.

23          (d) Any person who holds a valid license as an advanced  
24          practice nurse issued under this Act as this Act existed before  
25          the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th General  
26          Assembly shall be subject only to the advanced practice nurse

1 license renewal requirements of this Act as this Act exists on  
2 and after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th  
3 General Assembly upon the expiration of that license.

4 (Source: P.A. 94-348, eff. 7-28-05; 95-639, eff. 10-5-07.)

5 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
6 becoming law.